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SUBJECT: POLISH PRESS CONTINUES SPORADIC ATTACK ON  
SOLZHENITSYN

REF: (A) WARSAW 143; (B) MOSCOW 592

GENEVA FOR USDEL CSCE

1. THE ONLY LOCALLY PRODUCED ATTACHK ON SOLZHENITSYN  
WE HAVE SEEN SINCE THE ARTICLES REPORTED IN REF A IS  
A FRONG PAGE EDITORIAL ENTITLED " THE THIRD BASKET"  
THAT APPEARED JAN 20 IN THE KRAKOW WEEKLY ZYCIE  
LIETRACKIE OVER THE INITIALS OF EDITOR WLADYSLAW  
MACHEJEK. THE EDITORIAL LINKS SOLZHENITSYN AS AN  
"INTERNAL EMIGRANT" TO THOSE "OBSTRUCTIONISTS" WHO  
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SEEK TO USE BASKET THREE TO TORPEDO CSCE AND DETENTE.

2. MACHEJEK ZEROES IN ON REACTIONALY "EMIGRES" WHOM HE ATTACKS AS PROPAGANDISTS FOR THOSE IN THE WEST WHO, "UNDER COVER OF BASKET THREE," CLAIM THE RIGHT TO INTERFERE IN INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF THE SOVIET UNION AND THE "PEOPLE'S DEMOCRACIES." HE CITES THE PARIS MONTHLY KULTURA AS A RALLYING POINT FOR POLISH EMIGRES OF THIS ILK. HE THEN CHARGES THAT SOLZHENITSYN HAS PROVIDED THESE EMIGRES AND OTHER "COLD WARRIORS" WITH A NEW WEAPON, GULAG ARCHIPELAGO, JUST WHEN THEY WERE MORIBUND AND JUST WHEN THE OBSTACLES AT GENEVA WERE BEING CUT THROUGH. RATHER THAN ADDRESSING THE BOOK'S THEME, HOWEVER, MACHEJEK REFERS THE READER TO A BACK-PAGE SUMMARY OF FOREIGN PRESS "REACTION" BASED LARGELY ON TASS COMMENTARY BY SERGEI KULIK AND EXTRACTS FROM WEST EUROPEAN COMMUNIST PUBLICATIONS.

3. THE ONLY OTHER ITEMS WE HAVE NOTICED SINCE OUR EARLIER REPORT (REF A) INVOLVE THE JANUARY 14 PRAVDA ARTICLE BY SOLOVYEV. TRYBUNA LUDU ON JAN 16 CARRIED A PAP REPORT FROM MOSCOW ABOUT THE ARTICLE, AND ON JAN 22 IT PUBLISHED THE VERBATIM TEXT.

4. COMMENT: MACHEJEK IS A WELL-KNOWN HARD-LINER WHO IS REGARDED IN CULTURAL CIRCLES AS SOMETHING OF A CRETIN. IT IS NOT SURPRISING THAT HE WOULD LEND HIMSELF IN SUCH A WAY TO THE ATTACK ON SOLZHENITSYN. MACHEJEK'S PITCH IS NOTEWORTHY FOR ITS ATTACK ON EMIGRES AND ITS SPECIAL SWIPE AT THE PARIS KULTURA GROUP.  
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